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For: MICROALLOYED STEEL EASY TO SEPARATE BY FRACTURE  
SPLITTING AT LOW TEMPERATURE AND FITTING MEMBER  
PRODUCED THROUGH SEPARATION BY FRACTURE SPLITTING AT  
LOW TEMPERATURE

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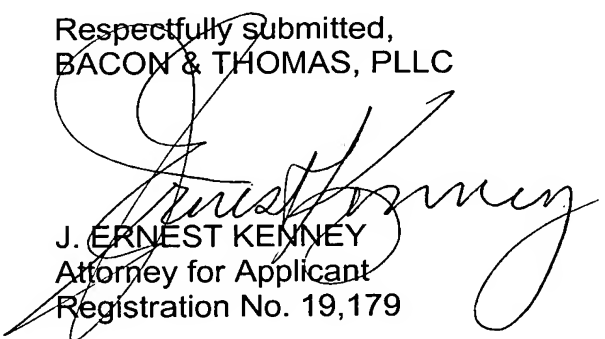
The three Japanese documents identified on the accompanying PTO-1449 form are discussed on pages 2 and 3 of the specification of this application and the relevancy of these documents is evident from this discussion. In addition, an English language abstract of each document is provided with the respective document.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits received by Applicant in the above-identified application.

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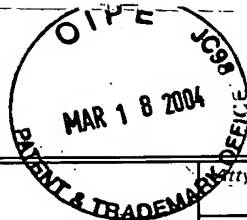


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